

.. CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS ..

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What 25c will buy

Knit Ties and Lace Collars.
Windsor Ties and Jabots.
Geneva Silk Hose, white, tan and black.
Handkerchiefs, fancy linens and batistes.
Ruching, every color.
Dainty new Ribbons, plain and Persians.
Hat Pin Holders.
Pin Cushions, dainty designs and colors.
Ladies' Corset Cover, wonderful at the price.
Turkish Towels, best on earth.
Gloves and Mitts, very useful gifts.

What 50c will buy

Hose, best quality, all colors.
Beautiful Linen Towels and Centerpieces.
Traveling Sets that are fine. They are waterproof.
Linen Handkerchiefs, extraordinary values.
Children's Auto Hoods.
Everything in the Royal Society Packages.
Bath Towels, beautiful large towels, with blue and white borders.
Baby Blankets, in the pink and blue.
Sweaters for Children are much appreciated gifts.
Fancy Scarf Pins.

What \$1 will buy

Neck Tie Sets for Men, all colors.
Corset Covers beautifully trimmed with lace and ribbons.
Night Gowns, fancy muslin, also the warm outing ones.
Ladies' Knit Petticoats, grey with the fancy stripes.
Ladies' Caps and Hoods in the knit for warmth. They can't be beat.
Fancy Barrettes, with guaranteed settings.
Guaranteed Leather Hand Bags.
Ladies' Waists, we can offer good values in Waists at \$1 prices.

This is only a small list of the useful and beautiful gifts that we can show you this week. No matter what price you wish to pay you will always find hundreds of gifts that are appreciated.

It's the Place to Find Santa Claus.

E. T. Tramp & Son

Local and Personal

Dr. A. D. Runstrom and Ben Cooper, of Wellfleet, were business visitors in the city Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. A. Brooks left Wednesday morning for Gothenburg to spend the day visiting her mother, Mrs. George Loan.

Clarence E. Lowe, of the Farmers' State bank of Sutherland, was a visitor in the city Tuesday to look after some legal business.

Dr. Collette, who has been very ill at a local hospital, is reported much improved. He has a serious case of dropsy. Dr. Collette comes from Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Anderson, of Julesburg, Colo., arrived in this city Tuesday afternoon on their wedding trip. They visited friends in the city and selected some of their goods at the local stores.

Francis Flynn, who is attending Stanford Junior university in San Francisco, sent word to his parents here that he would sail today with a friend for Honolulu to spend the holidays. He has three weeks vacation and will spend them on the islands. Mr. Flynn is taking the engineering course.

Business Property on North Side For Sale.

Two story cement block building on the corner of Locust and 5th Sts. Two large store rooms down stairs, both well rented. 15 rooms up stairs. Brings \$1,000.00 per year rent. Price \$7500.00 if taken before the first of the year. One-half cash will handle it. Where can you beat it for an investment?
C. F. Temple, Agent.

C. H. Smith, of Stapleton, was a visitor to North Platte on Tuesday afternoon on legal business.

A. G. Hamer, better known as Gus, a prominent farmer of the Buchanan precinct, was a business visitor to the court house Wednesday.

Engineer J. C. Hoge is in the Birdwood district this week working on the irrigation and power plant engineering project.

Paul Roberts, of Maxwell, was in the city Monday to visit his father who is confined at a local hospital. He left in the evening for Lincoln where he is attending the state university.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ahrens, of Sidney, arrived in the city Monday evening for a visit with relatives. Mr. Ahrens left Tuesday evening for his home, but Mrs. Ahrens stayed over for a few days visit.

The Junior class of the high school is giving a farce comedy this evening at the school house for the benefit of the annual Junior-Senior banquet which will be held in the spring. There will be four acts and they will be made up of comedy and minstrelsy. The members of the class have been working very diligently getting ready for the entertainment and have a good evening's entertainment prepared.

Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.

Arrested on Charge of Stealing Horses

A man giving his name as Harry Smith was arrested Tuesday afternoon suspected of stealing a horse. He rode into town on a fine horse with a fine saddle and offered it for sale. Clyde Lake bought the outfit for \$20 and immediately became suspicious and called Chief John Frazier, who questioned the man as to where he got the horse. He stated that he had worked for John Johnson, a farmer living eighteen miles south of the city, but when the officer phoned out there he was informed that Johnson had never had a hired man.

Smith was talking to some other parties and stated that he was from Lexington. At another place he stated that he had come from McPherson county. As he could not give a satisfactory account of himself, he was turned over to the sheriff and lodged in the county jail.

Late in the evening, Sheriff Salisbury received a call from Sam Moore, a farmer near Dickens, stating that he had a horse stolen and wanted the authorities to keep a look out here. He described the horse so that it was immediately identified as the one that had been sold.

Bear in mind our January sale. For months past we have been busy preparing for this event. Extraordinary values have been purchased, no old self-worn merchandise will be offered. Remember its only January and it will be some sale too.
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T. H. McDowell, of Paxton, was a visitor in the city Tuesday to look after business.

B. P. Richards and family, of Sutherland, were visiting in the city Tuesday.

Jacob Koch, who resides on a farm south of Hershey, was a subscription caller at this office the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Peterson, of Chappell, arrived in the city last Tuesday for a short visit with friends.

H. R. Rhiley, of Oshkosh, was a business visitor in the city Tuesday.

Miss Grace Anderson, of Oshkosh, arrived in the city Tuesday for a visit with friends.

William Shaw, of Oshkosh, arrived in the city Tuesday for the purpose of transacting business.

Editor Reynolds, of Sutherland Free Lance, was a visitor in the city Tuesday.

David Barrowell arrived in the city this week from Bridgewater, Ia., and will visit here for some time with his brother-in-law, Ray Schuman.

European Nostalgia For West Africa.

There is a wonderful story about West Africa, says Major Trevelyan in "Some African Notes and Anecdotes," which few Europeans can throw off. Then he tells of a man who, after living for ten consecutive years in a lonely part of southern Nigeria, made up his mind to have a trip home and sailed away in splendid spirits.

The Gold Coast ports were part of West Africa, and so he managed to make himself fairly at home while there, though the life on board ship was already beginning to bore him, and he wished that he had never left Nigeria. Sierra Leone he did not like at all, as it was not the West Africa which appealed to him, and he began to long for his home in the bush. After leaving that port and with no sight of land to cheer him he became desperate, and on arrival at Las Palmas he declared: "I shall go no farther. I must return at once. I have had quite enough of Europe."

Open Windows at Night.

It is difficult to get doctors to agree and to agree with the patient listener. For years I had been a slave to the open window, the fresh air at night. That doctrine of the open bedroom window was my obsession, but recently doubt crept in. By accident the bedroom window had been closed, and I slept peacefully and woke refreshed in a closed room. There was no ventilation of the official medical variety. To a medical journalist I put the problem of the window at night, and, to my astonishment, he told me that I am an animal when I sleep and do not want fresh air at all.

"Look at the animals! When they sleep they choose the stuffiest nooks they can find, and they know what is best for them. Shut your bedroom windows at night and open them in the morning." And when I reflected on the dormouse and the dog I am encouraged to tuck my nose with the other animals.—London Chronicle.

An Old Caddie's Retort.

He is an old caddie on an east coast course, and being a noted figure on the links he endeavors as far as possible to caddy only for thoroughly efficient golfers. Occasionally, however, he finds himself accompanying a "fozzler," and on these occasions his dignity is injured.

One day recently he found himself caddying to an old gentleman who was out, clearly, more for exercise than for the love of the game and who was playing shocking golf.

By the time the twelfth hole was reached he had been in most of the bunkers en route and had succeeded in breaking a club. "I think I shall give up this hole," he remarked at last to his indignant caddie. "Na, na," retorted the old worthy bitterly; "fozzler the course, sir—fozzler the course. You've gotten other four clubs to smash yet an' nine bunkers tae dae it in!"—Glasgow News.

A Merciful Farmer.

A young lady from the city was going one summer to make her first visit to a cousin in the country. At the station she was met by the cousin, and after a half hour's drive he told her they were approaching his farm.

In one of the broad fields that met the young lady's attentive eye stood a windmill, and gathered around it, some standing and some reclining, were several hogs.

"Well, that beats anything I ever heard of," exclaimed the fair one. "I didn't know that you farmers were so considerate."

"What does?" queried the country cousin.

"That over yonder," replied the city girl, pointing a pretty finger. "Just think of having a fan out in the field to keep those hogs cool!"—Christian Endeavor World.

Courage of Despair.

Professor McCoy of Melbourne university in a book about snake experiments tells a strange story illustrating the courage of despair. Putting a mouse into a box that contained one of his captive cobras, he watched the reptile glide slowly toward it. The mouse shrank terrified into a corner, and then when the cobra's flattened head was within an inch of it it sprang into the air and alighted on the back of the neck of its foe. It sat there and clinched its sharp little teeth in the reptile's flesh. The cobra could not shake it off, and it bit deeper and deeper until the cobra lay dead.

An Irish Bull.

An Irishman was trying to lead a bull. He tied the rope to his wrist, and the bull took the lead. He took it with a vengeance. As the Irishman was flying around the corner a friend shouted, "Where are you going, Pat?" "I don't know," he replied. "Ask the bull."—Exchange.

Spoiling Good Paper.

"Poetry should be written on one side of the paper, shouldn't it?" asked the budding bard.

"That depends on the poetry," replied the editor wearily. "Lots of it shouldn't be written on either side."—Philadelphia Record.

Never Suspected It Until Then.

"When did you find that you cared for him?"

"About a quarter of a minute after I discovered that he no longer felt that life would not be worth living if he couldn't have me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

It is by presence of mind in untried emergencies that the native motto of a man is tested.—Lowell.

Auto Hallucination.

Answering the question "Will you please explain how a person is lifted by four persons placing their index fingers under his shoulders and legs by means of slight lifting force at time of inhaling a long breath by each person and by the person about to be lifted?" Edgar Lucien Larkin in the New York American says:

"I have been asked this question many times. If a person actually has been lifted and those doing the lifting think that the law of gravity is partially suspended, then the lifters are under self hallucination or auto suggestion in so far as their impression of lifting is concerned. They actually lift far more than they think, but they will not admit this, as they are partially self hallucinated in the belief that the body of the person will rise. And if they really succeed in lifting the man two inches they think it a foot. Auto hallucination is a remarkable mental phenomenon and is now being studied by mentalists here and in Europe with minute care and research."

Foolishness of Betting.

Being firmly convinced that a certain contest would terminate in conformity with his opinions, a farmer in New York state wagered his new automobile against a wheelbarrow on the result of the contest in question—and lost. Giving up the property, he grimly trudged seven miles to his home. Probably his family noticed that he had a grudge too. Considered in the calm, clear, cold light of pure reason, the gentleman succeeded in proving himself a near relative to a California canary—otherwise known as a donkey. Had he won the bet the result would have been pretty much the same, for betting is not argument, evidence or proof of anything. It adds no force, power or dignity to any opinion or set of opinions. It is merely the outpouring of the gambling spirit, and that is a spirit that has led many a man to utter beggary who might have adorned a home and ornamented a community.—Detroit Free Press.

A Tall Story.

The long leggedest man we know is our friend H. Bingham Palmer. He can take steps above five feet long, in spite of which he is devoted to horse-back riding.

Recently he came into the office to chat awhile, and we noticed that he limped.

"Corn?" was asked sympathetically. "Nope—accident," he answered, as answers one who doesn't care to talk about something. That aroused our curiosity, and we couldn't help showing it, probably, for he sighed and confessed:

"I was ridin' through the park Monday, and I was just ridin' along and ridin' along and not thinkin' of anything in particular, and my foot slipped out of the stirrup."

"Well?"

"Well, the darn horse stepped on it!"

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Dirigible Balloons.

The dirigible balloon is by no means a modern invention, as many people seem to think. As a matter of fact, as long ago as 1784 General Meunier proposed the construction of an elongated balloon which might be propelled through the air. Experiments were made with it by two brothers named Robert, who made several ascents and attained a speed of three miles an hour, though the method of propulsion was only aerial oars worked by hand. Nothing further was attempted until 1852, when Henri Giffard built dirigibles which, by means of a light steam engine, he propelled at nearly seven miles an hour, and since then various experiments have been made which ultimately ended in the wonderful triumph of Zeppelin.—New York Press.

Borax in the Laundry.

The uses of refined borax are manifold. It is infinitely better than soda for washing purposes. It may be used in the proportion of a large handful to ten gallons of boiling water, and will effect a great saving in soap. If you are about to wash delicate laces or cambric use an extra quantity of powder. The effect of borax is to soften the hardest water, and, being a neutral salt, it does not in the slightest degree injure the texture of linen or any other delicate material washed with it.—New York Globe.

Courtier and Poet.

Louis XIV., having shown Boileau some verses of his own composition, demanded his candid opinion about them.

"Sire," answered the poet, "your majesty wished to write poor lines and you did it so well that you proved that nothing is impossible to your majesty!"

Changes.

"You will admit a wise man sometimes changes his mind?"

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum. "He also changes his wardrobe. But in doing so he avoids popular attention as much as possible."—Washington Star.

Storms of Life.

As storm following storm and wave succeeding wave give additional hardness to the shell that incloses the pearl, so do the storms and waves of life add force to the character of man.

Flag Bunting Test.

The United States government's test for color in bunting is six hours' immersion in salt water and six hours' exposure to the sun.

He is not many who yields to fits of anger, but he who yields composure and kindness.—Marcus Aurelius.

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